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July 21, 1982

Mr. Jackson Moffitt
District Mining Supervisor
Minerals Management Service
2040 Administration Building
1745 West 1700 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84104

RE: Proposed Coal Exploration Program
Hiko Bell Mining & Oil Co.
Kane County, Utah
CEP/025/005

Dear Mr. Moffitt:

The Division has reviewed Hiko Bell's proposed coal exploration plan for Kane County, Utah which was received by this office July 2, 1982. The plan under consideration has not satisfied the State's concerns under requirements of Parts 776 and 815 of the regulations promulgated under the 1979 Act, "Regulation of Coal Mining and Reclamation Operations", Title 40-10-1 et seq. Utah Code Annotated, 1953. The following is a list of our concerns:

1. UMC 776.11 (b-2) - Provide the name, address and telephone number of the representative who will be present at and responsible for conducting the exploration activity.
2. UMC 776.11 (b-4) - What is the intended period of exploration?
3. UMC 815.15 (a) - Identify any habitats of unique value for fish, wildlife or other related environmental values within the area of disturbance.
4. UMC 815.15 (c-1) - Commit to limiting vehicular traffic, on other than established roads, to that traffic absolutely necessary to conduct exploration. Confine traffic to graded and surfaced roads during periods when excessive damage to vegetation or rutting of the land surface could result.
5. UMC 815.15 (c-3) - Discuss compliance with this section as relating to the construction of the proposed access road.

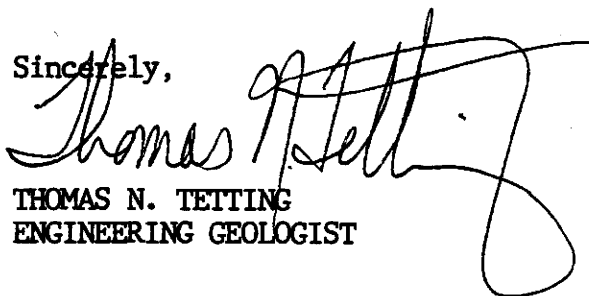
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6. UMC 815.15 (e) - Discuss removal and storage of topsoil.
7. UMC 815.15 (f) - Provide a drillsite revegetation plan including proposed times of reseeding and the proposed seed mix.
8. Provide a complete plugging program for the proposed boreholes.

Please incorporate these concerns into your review and forward the requested information or have the company send it directly to our office.

Provided that these points have been adequately satisfied for the Division, I see no reason not to approve the plan. In reply, please refer to CEP/025.005.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thomas N. Tetting", written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

THOMAS N. TETTING
ENGINEERING GEOLOGIST

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